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ryes were started as family plots, some the results of Indian raids, the largest and best kept is Mt. View Cemetery overlooking the town of Marlinton which is owned by the town.

Pocahontas County is known as a recreational section as tourists from all over the United States visit and pass through the county each year and to take care of these tourists out in nature's paradise tourists cabins have been erected along all the leading highways ~~XX~~ so they will be away from the heat and noise of the cities and towns, these cabins are lit by electricity the northern part of the county by the West Penn while the lower part of the county is served by the Virginia Public Service you find these cabins on Droop Mountain, made of pine logs at Droop Camp filling station, at Hillsboro George Bartholomew has up to date cabins just outside the town limits, at Buckeye W. W. Graham has cabins some finished with native stone that are cool in summer and warm in winter other cabins are found on Knapps Creek and on Elk at L. D. Sharps.

In getting away from the sweltering heat requires ice cold soft drinks and these are made and distributed by T. J. Mason and his son Walter they own and operate the only bottling works in the county known as Marlinton Bottling Works, with a large and a small truck they supply the county as this is one of the leading industries of the county especially in the hot

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SUMMER MONTHS, and Wilbur Sharp makes ice cream that is sold locally and in his place of business.

George Bartholomew owner of The Feed Bag, that serves meals, sells gasoline and oil and has a number of cabins, Mr. Bartholomew is a wood worker and cabinet maker as he has a work shop in the rear of the filling station where he makes all sorts of furniture and novelties made of wood, inlay work of many designs and many kinds of wood, these articles find ready ~~xxx~~ sale as the tourist trade buys his entire output consisting of fancy tables, table lamps and many other oddities made of wood that is produced here in Pocahontas County, sales from his products run high especially during the tourist season.

Handicraft is rather undeveloped in Pocahontas County as the county produces barks suitable for weaving baskets and other novelties that are made from bark, this could be made one of the leading industries of the county, but due to lack of weavers of knowledge in weaving it is undeveloped at the present time. Incomes of considerable size could be made during the summer or tourist trade season by selling craft made from bark along our main highways and at filling stations located throughout the county. Pocahontas has many old antiques and each year antique dealers from out of the state buy what they can in the way of corner cupboards, desks, tables, chairs, wooden bedsteads, old spinning wheels, stone ware and many other articles used by our forefathers, some

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People here in the county have rooms furnished in old antiques. The Prices
Mrs. Anna Hunter, T.S McNeel and Mrs Dr McCutcheon are gatherers of this
are in the county. Much of which is exhibited at the Pocahontas County
Fair in the old time exhibits which attracts more attention than any other
exhibit, all articles made of wood are made from black walnut or cherry from
the W.Va. hills in Pocahontas County, these articles are cherished very much
by their owners as they played a very important part in the building and
growth of the county as many of these articles and furniture were used by
the first settlers of Pocahontas County and have been in use all down thro-
ugh the years. In talking to some of our older people and discussing these
old relics they say they bring back recollections that are very dear to
them as their parents and grandparents used these articles when they sett-
led the wilds of old Pocahontas.

So be it said that these articles so highly cherished today were
the impliments and furniture around which started the growth of the county.

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